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1. JUNE 10 TURKISH PRESS REPORTS THAT PRIMIN DEMIREL
SAID, AFTER A VISIT TO PRESIDENT KORUTURK, THAT THE GOVERNMENT
WOULD RESIGN UPON THE CONVENING OF THE NEW NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
(WHICH HAS NOW BEEN FIXED FOR JUNE 13). DEMIREL TOLD THE
PRESS THAT THE JUSTICE PARTY (JP) GENERAL EXECUTIVE BOARD
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WILL MEET JUNE 11 TO PLAN PARTY STRATEGY BUT STATED THAT
HIS 1974 APPEAL FOR NATIONALIST PARTIES TO UNITE WAS STILL
VALID.

2. NATIONAL SALVATION PARTY (NSP) MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE
KORKUT OZAL ISSUED A STATEMENT TO THE PRESS DENYING PUBLISHED
REPORTS THAT A FACTION OF THE NSP LED BY HIM WAS THREATENING

TO BREAK AWAY FROM THE PARTY IN ORDER TO COOPERATE WITH THE
REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY (RPP) IN FORMING A
GOVERNMENT. HE STATED THAT "THESE DELIBERATELY FABRICATED
RUMORS WILL MAKE THE FORMATION OF THE GOVERNMENT MUCH MORE
DIFFICULT." ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS HASAN AKSAY, CHIEF
OF ORGANIZATION OF THE NSP, WHEN ASKED IF THE NSP WOULD
FORM A COALITION WITH THE RPP, SAID: "WE AS A PARTY ARE
NOT PREJUDICED. WE THINK ABOUT HOW WE CAN BEST GIVE SERVICE."
IN A SEPARATE PRESS CONFERENCE, FORMER NSP MINISTER OF
INTERIOR ASILTURK SAID THAT SINCE THE JP AND RPP HAD GOTTEN
TOGETHER TO BRING ABOUT EARLY ELECTIONS, IT
WAS UP TO THEM TO FORM A GOVERNMENT TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM
PRODUCED BY THE ELECTIONS.

3. NATIONALIST ACTION PARTY CHAIRMAN (NAP) CHAIRMAN,
DEPRIMIN TURKES, TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE JUNE 9 THAT
OF THE VARIOUS POSSIBILITIES FOR A NEW GOVERNMENT THE
STRONGEST WOULD BE A JP-NSP-NAP COALITION.

4. DEPRIMIN FEYZIOGLU, WHOSE REPUBLICAN RELIANCE PARTY
(RR) WAS DECIMATED IN THE ELECTIONS, WAS REPORTED IN JUNE 10
PRESS AS SAYING THAT LACK OF A CENTER PARTY TO STRIKE A
BALANCE IN THE NEW NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WILL CAUSE CONSIDERABLE
DIFFICULTY BECAUSE IT "HAS MADE THE NSP THE KEY."
FEYZIOGLU REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE RPP AND THE JP
SHOULD WORK OUT A FORMULA OF GOVERNMENT BETWEEN
THEM EXCLUDING THE NSP SO THAT THEY WOULD NOT "BE A TOY IN THE
NSP'S HANDS." ALTHOUGH THE RR IS FREQUENTLY MENTIONED
AS A POSSIBLE INGREDIENT IN AN RPP GOVERNMENT, FEYZIOGLU
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SAID THAT THE RR WOULD NOT BE PART OF ANY COALITION BUT
THAT "THIS DOES NOT MEAN THAT WE WILL NOT SUPPORT THE
FORMATION OF A GOVERNMENT."
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